NOTE XVIII.

A NEW SPECIES OF LATIRUS

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Latirus Eppi, sp. n.

L. testa ovato-fusiformi, crassa, fulvo-brunnea, anfractibus lævibus, longitudinaliter costatis, nitentibus, transversim obscure filo-liratis, liris ad suturas distinctioribus, canali subproducto, spiraliter lirato, aperturæ fauce sulcata, albescente, columella quadriplicata, alba. — Long. 24 mill., lat. 10 mill.

Hab. Insula Curaçao (Dr. C. Epp).

This very interesting addition to the genus is at present unique and forming part of the collection of the Leyden Museum. It has been kindly forwarded me by Mr. M. M. Schepman, of Rhoon near Rotterdam, with the request that I would describe it, at the same time wishing that it should bear the name of its discoverer. The nearest approximations to this species are undoubtedly *L. castaneus* (Reeve) and *acuminatus* (Kiener) from both of which it can easily be differentiated by its small size, and other reasons. This specimen is full-grown, and slightly worn, the transverse liræ would in a younger specimen be regularly distributed over every portion of the whorls.

Dr. Epp also found at the same locality an interesting well coloured but small variety of *Latirus distinctus* (A. Adams), a species of rare occurrence, and which has not been figured. I am giving a representation from a large typical specimen in my »Historical account of the genus *Latirus*."

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